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### My experience

April 2020- Talks of Covid. I was just about to go on spring break but there was talk about us shutting down. I was a little bit nervous but I was excited to go on break. My spring break hits and we get news that we will be shutting down. I personally thought it was going to be just temporary. The sad thing was I had no idea that was going to be my last day at school. It was my senior year and I was devastated.

May 2020- Continue online schooling. By this time online school was going on and it was something I was not used to at all. School was so different. I liked being home but when there were certain assignments or things I needed help with, it was a struggle.

June 2020- The time had flown by. It was finally time for my graduation, something that I truly looked forward to but it was sadly taken away from me. I graduated from my car with my mom, dad, sister and boyfriend. I am extremely grateful I was able to have them by my side. It was a very special moment for me and just like that I ended my high school journey online.

July 2020- No school, but I was still working. Work was odd. No seeing people eat inside the restaurant. Seeing people with masks. My hours had gotten cut but it was okay. Nothing major happened this month.

August 2020- I started my first year of college. I was extremely nervous because I do better and have more motivation inside a classroom. Somehow, it was not as bad as I expected. Things ran smoothly.

September 2020- My dad's birthday and my birthday month yay. School was still doing very well but it was such a weird bday for the both of us since we are only a week apart we would always celebrate together. I went to the beach and ate at a beautiful restaurant with my boyfriend, but it was still weird to see everyone with masks. I also got my second job at the end of the month so I could make extra money.

October 2020- Nothing special. I was extremely proud of how well I was doing in school. At this point I had a routine and I was happy about it. I knew what worked for me and school was a piece of cake.

November 2020- This month was one of the most stressful. I was working almost every single day and trying to keep up with school. It was so hard for me because I had no motivation. All I wanted to do was sleep and I became very sad because of how stressed I was. I was going through so much and to be honest school was the last thing on my mind but I always managed to pull through.

December 2020- I pulled through. I am shrill working so much for both jobs and it is crazy how much my life has changed due to covid. I found a way to have a good balance. I did great and school and I am making money. Nothing makes me happier.